DOCKET SECTION

RECEIVED

BEFORE THE POSTAL RATE COMMISSION FEB 12 4 44 PH '98 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

OFFIGE OF EACH

POSTAL RATE AND FEE CHANGES, 1997

Docket No. R97-1

REQUEST OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO CONDUCT ORAL CROSS-EXAMINATION OF AMERICAN PUBLIC POWER ASSOCIATION WITNESS THREADGILL

In accordance with Rule 4.B of the Special Rules of Practice, the United States
Postal Service hereby requests permission to conduct oral cross-examination of APPA
witness Threadgill concerning his testimony (APPA-T-1) and his responses to
designated interrogatories.

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

By its attorneys:

Daniel J. Foucheaux, Jr. Chief Counsel, Ratemaking

Michael T. Tidwell

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

Michael T. Tidwell

475 L'Enfant Plaza West, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20260-1145 February 12, 1998